

Application No. 09/781,061

**Remarks**

The Office Action of April 23, 2004 has been carefully considered. Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested as the claims are believed to be in condition for allowance. A petition for a one-month extension of time is included herewith.

Claims 23 and 26-35 are pending and stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112 as allegedly being indefinite and for double patenting. Applicant traverses the rejections. In response, claims 23, 26, 27, 29-32, and 34 have been amended for further clarification. Claims 24, 25, 28, 33 and 35 have been canceled herein. Withdrawal of the 35 U.S.C. 112 rejection and the double patenting rejection is respectfully requested. The claims are directed at a molded shaft made using a gas injection molding process, including structural limitations of the molded shaft.

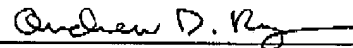
Allowance of claims 23, 26, 27, 29-32, and 34 is respectfully requested.

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**Conclusion**

In the event the Examiner considers personal contact advantageous to the disposition of this case, he is requested to call Applicant's attorney, Andrew D. Ryan, at telephone number (585) 422-8085, Rochester, New York.

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